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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Tadashi Nagaso

Serial No. 09/839,947

Examiner: Unknown  
Group Art Unit: 2621

Filed: April 20, 2001

For: IMAGE FORMING DEVICE

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Sir:

Applicant responds to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 19, 2001 (a copy of the Notice is enclosed herewith).

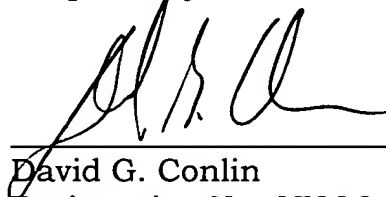
Applicant filed this application on April 20, 2001 and included with the original Utility Patent Application Transmittal the original **signed** Declaration and Power of Attorney (the signature page of the Declaration is page 4). A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney as filed is attached to this response.

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application states that the signatures of four inventors are missing from the signature page of the Declaration. These signatures are Katsuhiko Machida, Akichika Takano, Susumu Iwano and Yoshiyuki Yasuda and were referred to in the Verification of Translation of the

Certified Copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-150061, a copy of which is enclosed. Upon closer examination of that document, it will be clear that three of the names listed on this document are the patent attorneys who prosecuted this application in Japan and the fourth is the name of a representative of the Assignee. The sole inventor in this case is Tadashi Nagaso whose signature is on the Declaration and Power of Attorney.

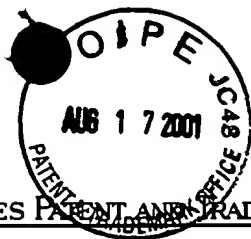
Applicant respectfully requests that this response and the attachments hereto satisfy the filing requirements and that the items and fees required by the Notice to File Missing Parts are deemed to have been completed upon the filing of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:  
*Katsuhiko Machida, Akichika Takano, Susumu Iwano, Yoshiyuki Yasuda*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

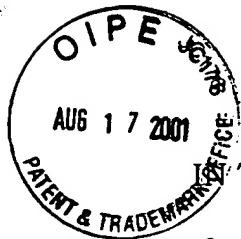
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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Applicants respectfully request the correction of the Filing Receipt of the Japanese priority patent as follows:

Please delete the following inventors from this application:

Katsuhiko Machida

Akichika Takano

Susumu Iwano

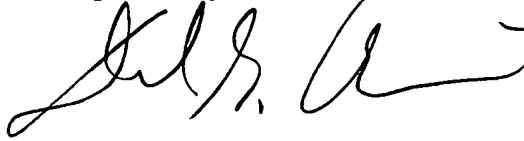
Yoshiyuki Yasuda

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Please see a copy of the Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed June 19, 200. As stated therein, there is only one inventor in the present case (Tadashi Nagaso). The four inventors listed above are patent attorneys who prosecuted the Japanese application in Japan; they were listed on the priority document and mistakenly thought by the Examiner to be inventors.

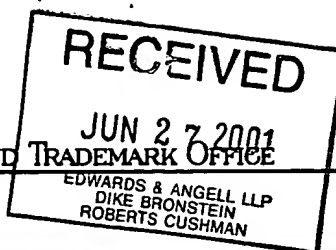
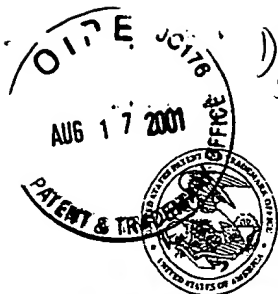
Applicants do not believe any fee is due. However, if for any reason a fee is owed, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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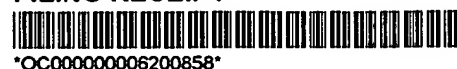
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 Akichika Takano, Residence Not Provided;  
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 Yoshiyuki Yasuda, Residence Not Provided;

## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

## Foreign Applications

JAPAN 2000-150061 05/22/2000

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Projected Publication Date: To Be Determined - pending completion of Missing Parts

Non-Publication Request: No

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## Title

Image forming device

**Preliminary Class**  
**382**

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